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MEMOS. FOR MONDAY.
 Miscellaneous.

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General Memoranda.

THURSDAY, March 24:—
 11 a.m.—Auction of Winchester Car-
 bins, &c., at the Central Police
 Station Compound.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of 250 rolls of Peking
 Silks, at Messrs Hughes and Hough's
 Sales Room.

5.30 p.m.—Meeting of Eochan Mark
 Lodge.

Goods per *Glenlivet* not cleared on this
 date subject to rent.

FRIDAY, March 25:—
 10 a.m.—Military Practice.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furni-
 ture, &c., at the residence of Mr C.
 C. Cohen, No. 1, Camera Villas, The
 Peak.

THURSDAY, March 26:—
 Noon.—Meeting of Shareholders of
 Humphreys Estate and Finance Co.,
 Ltd., at the Company's Office.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furni-
 ture, &c., at No. 2, Elliot Crescent,
 Robinson Road.

Goods per *Shichen* undelivered on this
 date subject to rent.

FRIDAY, March 27:—
 Goods per *Indra* not cleared at 4 p.m.
 on this date subject to rent.

Goods per *Arday* undelivered after this
 date subject to rent.

SATURDAY, March 28:—
 Noon.—Meeting of Shareholders of
 Watkins, Limited, at the Company's
 Office.

Yacht's Adventurous Voyage.

A yachting cruise of unique interest
 closed at Bombay in the 3rd inst. Mr
 C. T. R. Scovell, a well-known local yachts-
 man, purchased in England the *Godwit*, of
 45 tons, a trim yachting boat 72 feet
 long, and determined to sail her to India.

She left Portsmouth on the 10th October
 with a crew and one guest. Bad weather
 was encountered in the Bay of Biscay, and
 running into Figueira Harbour she narrowly
 escaped being wrecked on the bar. At
 Gibraltar, Mr C. T. R. Scovell joined her,
 and very bad weather was experienced be-
 tween there and Algiers. She had to put
 in at Bonn for shelter. At Malta, Mr
 C. V. Scovell, of Bangalore, a coffee plan-
 ter, joined his brother. The rest of the
 voyage in the Mediterranean was unevent-
 ful, except for a three-days' calm. The
Godwit made a record passage through the
 Canal under her own sail, and reached Suez
 on the 18th December. Aden was reached
 on the 16th February. The voyage of these
 plucky yachtsmen has been followed with
 keen interest locally.

Chinese Consul for Iloilo.

The *Manila Times* of the 14th inst.
 states:—It was learned here this morning
 that the Chinese Consul will appoint a Vice-
 Consul for the city of Iloilo. The gentle-
 man who has been stated for the position is
 H. C. Wang, of Amoy, who has gained a
 reputation by the prominence of his father,
 a well-known resident of Zamboanga some
 thirty-five years ago. About thirty years
 ago for signal services rendered the Spanish
 government, the gentleman was decorated
 and officially given the name of Juan Mal-
 campo, which name he still retains, and as
 an old man, he is still residing in the city
 of Amoy. The Malcampo family obtained a
 fortune in the Philippines and returned to
 China twenty-five years ago. Since then
 Malcampo has engaged in the banking busi-
 ness both in Amoy and in Formosa, until
 the Japanese war, when for his loyalty to
 his Government he sacrificed several hun-
 dred thousand dollars. The Chinese popu-
 lation of Iloilo and its tributaries, consist-
 ing of four or five thousand people, feels it
 to be congratulated in the appointment,
 if Mr Wang is named. The Chinese Cham-
 ber of Commerce of Iloilo is pushing the
 appointment with the indorsements of
 several leading commercial men who are
 prominent in the affairs of the Chinese
 Government.

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BIRTHS.
 On the 8th March, at Foochow, the wife
 of D. A. G. FARRANT, of a Son.
 At Manila, on the 15th March, the wife
 of JOHN T. MACLEOD, of a Daughter.

The publication of this issue commenced
 at 5.30 p.m.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 1903.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Authorized Architects.

The following names are added to the
 official list of authorized architects:—
 Messrs J. W. Bird, Guy Blood, A. Bryer,
 C. H. Gale, A. H. Hewitt, A. H. Hollings-
 worth, J. E. Lee, and A. H. Ough.

The Hon. Dr J. M. Atkinson.

Dr J. M. Atkinson, Principal Civil
 Medical Officer, has been appointed by His
 Excellency the Governor an Official Mem-
 ber of the Legislative Council in place of
 Hon. F. J. Buley, resigned. We con-
 gratulate Dr Atkinson on his elevation to
 the Council.

Miss Roosevelt on Tour.

A Washington telegram states:—Miss
 Alice Roosevelt, daughter of the President,
 is about to leave for Porto Rico to visit
 friends. She is endeavoring to persuade
 her father to permit her to visit Manila
 later this year. It is very probable that
 the President will grant her request. Miss
 Roosevelt has many close friends in Manila,
 among whom are Governor and Mrs Taft.

Kwangsai Famine Fund.

The following paragraph from the
Straits Times of the 13th inst. will be of
 interest to our Chinese readers, who may
 know more about the famine in Kwangsai
 than we do:—The collector for the Two
 Kwang (Canton and Kwangse) famine
 fund begs to acknowledge with thanks the
 following donations from firms in Singa-
 pore:—Guthrie and Co. \$200, Puttackren
 and Co. \$200, Netherlands Trading
 Society \$250, See Yau Boon, Esq., \$50.

Hongkong Chess Club.

Considerable progress has been made
 with the Sealed Handicap Tournament in
 connection with the Hongkong Chess Club.
 There were fourteen entries, but three
 members have retired. At present, the
 score stands:—

Games Points.
 Played Scored.

R. D. Dastur ... 8 6
 R. H. Newborn ... 8 42
 M. J. Danenberg ... 6 4
 W. Pelling ... 8 4
 P. C. de Souza ... 4 4
 H. E. Pollock ... 6 34
 W. Davies ... 6 13
 T. Swaby ... 4 1
 E. J. Moses ... 5 1
 A. Raymond ... 4 0
 R. Houghton ... 4 0

Union Church Literary Club.

The closing social of the first session
 was held last evening in Union Church
 Hall. The Rev. C. H. Hickling presided
 over a large gathering of members. The
 reports of the Secretaries and Treasurer
 (Messrs Sutor, Holyoke and Pearce)
 showed that the session had been eminently
 satisfactory, and there was a substantial
 balance in the fund. Heartly thanks were
 accorded to the retiring Executive; the
 new one was elected by ballot and various
 suggestions were made by members as to
 the future. The refreshments were served
 by Mrs Hickling. Several musical items
 were rendered by Mrs Brand, Messrs
 Edwards, Grimble and Inglis. The novel
 feature of the evening was the reading of the
 M. S. Magazine by the Editor, Mr Braid-
 wood. The four articles and poem excited
 considerable interest and elicited roars of
 laughter. The whole was a capital wind-
 up of the opening Session.

The Action Library.

The Library Syndicate have presented
 a Report as to the method of dealing with
 the Library of the late Lord Acton, which
 was given to Cambridge University by Mr
 John Morley, M.P., and directed by Grace
 to be placed in the Library building, but
 kept distinct from the General Library.
 Certain structural alterations with have to
 be made in Scott's Building, which with
 bookcases will cost about £2300. The
 Syndicate also ask to be authorised to make
 temporary appointments of additional
 members of the staff, and to employ other
 assistance for the purpose of cataloguing
 the Library, and that the sum of £2500 be
 placed at their disposal for salaries and
 wages for this purpose in the four years
 ending Lady-day, 1907. They further re-
 commend that the sum of £1000 for prin-
 ting, £1000 for binding, and £100 for
 incidental expenses be placed at their dis-
 posal within the same period, to be drawn
 as required. It is stated in the Report
 that the main portion of the Action
 Library will be removed from Aldham
 Park, Shropshire, to Cambridge at an early
 date.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Notes by the Way.

Governor J. H. Grant, of Leyte, has
 resigned and returns to the United States.

The Chinese coolie who was injured
 in the blasting accident at Pinewood
 Battery died in the Government Civil
 Hospital yesterday.

The Bulgarian Government has given
 notice of the denunciation of the Com-
 mercial Agreement with Great Britain of
 the 12th-24th July, 1897, as from the end
 of 1903.

Protestantism is making progress
 among the Filipinos, so much so in Ma-
 nila that a new Presbyterian Church is
 being built to accommodate the Filipino
 congregations in the Binondo and Tondo
 districts.

It is reported in Manila that Admiral
 R. D. Evans, U.S.N., will succeed Admiral
 Crowsfield on the European station.
 Our Canton correspondent, who has
 evidently good reason for saying so, states
 that it is incorrect that Admiral Evans is
 going home soon. On the contrary, he
 remains on this station for another year.

Tang Wa Hospital.

The new hospital building of the Tang
 Wa in Po Yan Street will be formally
 opened by H. E. Sir Henry Blake,
 G.C.M.G., on Thursday next, the 26th
 inst., at 4 p.m.

The Sanitary Board.

We are assured that Mr M. W. Slade
 will not be nominated for the Sanitary
 Board at the election on the 25th inst. On
 some other occasion, however, should it
 be considered desirable to add to the legal
 strength of the Board, Mr Slade will be
 brought forward.

The Band Performances.

We are pleased to learn that the
 suggestion made in last night's issue by
 a correspondent to change the hour at which
 the military bands play on the Parade
 Ground has met with the approval of H. E.
 Major-General Sir W. J. Gascoigne, who
 has issued orders that the bands will play
 from 4.30 to 6 p.m. in future. The public,
 we are sure, are much indebted to His
 Excellency for so readily acceding to the
 suggestion.

Band at Hongkong Hotel.

By kind permission of Major Radcliffe
 and Officers, the Band of the 33rd Burma
 Infantry will play at the Hongkong Hotel
 this (Saturday) evening, from 8 to
 9.30 p.m.—

March: 'The Stars and Stripes for ever' Sousa
 Overture; 'Lodoiska' ... Cherubini
 Selection; 'Little Christopher' ...
 Columbus ... Ivan Caryll
 Song ... 'Beloved, it is I' ...
 Selection ... 'Iolanthe' ... Sullivan
 Valse ... 'Amour, Amour' ... Alfano
 EXTRA.
 Gavotte ... 'Deuxieme Gavotte' ... Albani
 GOD SAVE THE KING.

Police Changes.

Consequent on the departure on leave
 of Mr F. J. Buley, Captain Superintendent
 of Police, His Excellency the Governor
 has made the following appointments:—
 Captain F. W. Lyons to act as Captain
 Superintendent of Police, Superintendent
 of the Fire Brigade, and Superintendent of
 Victoria Gaoi;

Mr E. R. Hallifax to act as Deputy
 Superintendent of Police; and
 Mr P. P. J. Wodehouse to act as As-
 sistant Superintendent of the Fire Brigade, all
 with effect from the 18th inst.

Lecture on 'Marriage.'

Yesterday, the Rev. E. J. Hardy,
 Army Chaplain, delivered a lecture on
 'Marriage' before the Old Voluntary Society
 in the City Hall. There was a large at-
 tendance. The chair was occupied by
 H. E. Major-General Sir W. J. Gascoigne,
 K.C.M.G. As was to be expected from the
 author of 'How to be Happy though Mar-
 ried,' the lecture was in earnest. Dealing
 with the question:—At what age should a
 man marry? he was of opinion that some-
 where between 25 and 30 was the better age.
 If a man remained a bachelor after 30
 he would probably remain single till 60 and
 then propose all round to everything in
 petticoats. It was not natural for a girl to
 be marrying an elderly man. As to the
 age at which ladies should marry, he would
 not burn his fingers in discussing that
 question. All he would say was that some
 were not worth looking at after 30 and
 there were quite as many not worth speak-
 ing to before 25. He would advise a man
 not to marry a child; neither marry an old
 woman. As to the principle of choice,
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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Sanitary Board Election.

It is officially notified in the *Gazette*
 that the Sanitary Board election takes
 place on Wednesday next, the 25th inst.

Po Leung Kuk.

It is notified in the *Gazette* that Mr A.
 H. Skelton, J.P., has been appointed by
 H. E. the Governor Visiting Justice to the
 Po Leung Kuk in place of Captain G. C.
 Anderson, resigned.

Hongkong Christian Union.

The usual prayer meeting will be held
 on Monday evening, at 5.15, in the room
 of the Union, 13, Beaconsfield Arcade.
 Captain F. Brown will preside. A cordial
 invitation is extended to all.

Medical Officer of Health.

H. E. the Governor has appointed Dr
 W. W. Pearce, Assistant Medical Officer of
 Health, to act as Medical Officer of Health,
 Sanitary Superintendent, and Superintendent
 of Statistics on the departure on leave
 of absence of Dr F. W. Clark.

Band Performance.

The following is the programme of music
 to be played by the Band of the 14th Bom-
 bay Infantry, on the Parade Ground,
 on Monday next, the 23rd inst., from 4.30
 p.m. to 6 p.m.:—

March: 'Unter dem Doppel Adler' Wagner
 Overture; 'Hungarian' ... Keler Bela
 Valse: 'Wein Weil und Gessung' Strauss
 Song ... 'Love's old Sweet Song' ... Molloy
 Hungarian Dance ... Brahms
 GOD SAVE THE KING.

A Serious Charge.

The case in which Lau Mui is charged
 with suborning and procuring Lau Ngau
 and Fan Sui to commit perjury in a Land
 Court case from Kowloon Tong was again
 before Mr Kemp at the Magistracy this
 morning. Mr P. W. Goldring (of Messrs
 Dawson and Hastings) urged His Worship
 to allow the prisoner out on bail, but
 Mr F. B. L. Bowley, Crown Solicitor,
 opposed the application, which was refused.
 The case comes up again on the 25th inst.

A False Charge.

At the Magistracy this morning, a Chi-
 nese constable named So Fat was charged
 with stealing a watch and \$20 from a sea-
 faring Chinaman at Aberdeen. He was
 defended by Mr M. J. D. Stephens (of
 Messrs Stephens and Thomson) and
 acquitted. It appeared from the evidence
 that the constable was in the patrol boat
 at Aberdeen, and boarded a junk where he
 suspected gambling to be going on. Those
 on board retaliated by bringing this false
 charge.

Police Changes.

Consequent on the departure on leave
 of Mr F. J. Buley, Captain Superintendent
 of Police, His Excellency the Governor
 has made the following appointments:—
 Captain F. W. Lyons to act as Captain
 Superintendent of Police, Superintendent
 of the Fire Brigade, and Superintendent of
 Victoria Gaoi;

Mr E. R. Hallifax to act as Deputy
 Superintendent of Police; and
 Mr P. P. J. Wodehouse to act as As-
 sistant Superintendent of the Fire Brigade, all
 with effect from the 18th inst.

Lecture on 'Marriage.'

Yesterday, the Rev. E. J. Hardy,
 Army Chaplain, delivered a lecture on
 'Marriage' before the Old Voluntary Society
 in the City Hall. There was a large at-
 tendance. The chair was occupied by
 H. E. Major-General Sir W. J. Gascoigne,
 K.C.M.G. As was to be expected from the
 author of 'How to be Happy though Mar-
 ried,' the lecture was in earnest. Dealing
 with the question:—At what age should a
 man marry? he was of opinion that some-
 where between 25 and 30 was the better age.
 If a man remained a bachelor after 30
 he would probably remain single till 60 and
 then propose all round to everything in
 petticoats. It was not natural for a girl to
 be marrying an elderly man. As to the
 age at which ladies should marry, he would
 not burn his fingers in discussing that
 question. All he would say was that some
 were not worth looking at after 30 and
 there were quite as many not worth speak-
 ing to before 25. He would advise a man
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TELEGRAMS.

[CHINA MAIL SPECIAL SERVICE.]

NEW VICEROY AT NANKING.

NEW MOVE BY RUSSIA.

**An Important Railway
 Proposal.**

(From Our Own Correspondent.)
 SHANGHAI, March 21, 11.50 a.m.

His Excellency Wei Kuangting, the
 new Viceroy of the Liang Provinces,
 took over the seals of office at Nanking
 on Friday afternoon.

The Russians are endeavouring to
 obtain a railway concession to connect
 Chengtu-fu in Szechuan Province with
 Taiyuan-fu in Shansi.

[REUTERS SERVICE.]

**LOSS OF ANOTHER SEAT TO
 THE GOVERNMENT.**

LOSNOX, March 19, 1903.

At the bye-election at Rye, to replace
 Mr Brookfield, the Conservative Member,
 who has been appointed Consul at Mon-
 tevideo, Mr Hutchison, the Liberal Can-
 didate, polled 4,910, and Mr Boyle, the
 Unionist, 4,370 votes.

In consequence of the striking victories
 of the opposition at Woolwich and Rye, a
 number of Liberals have notified their
 willingness to become candidates for
 Ministerial strongholds.

The Unionist papers admit that the Rye
 election means discontent with the Gov-

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LIMITED.

The fourteenth ordinary general meeting of the Green Island Cement Co., Limited, was held in the offices of the General Managers (Messrs. Shewan, Tomes and Co.) this forenoon. Mr. R. Shewan presided, and among those present were:—Hon. Sir Paul Chater, C.M.G., Hon. C. W. Dickson, Dr. J. W. Noble, and Mr. C. E. Ewens (Consulting Committee), Messrs. N. H. Rutherford (Secretary), Mr. Murray Bain, E. A. Hewitt, E. Owen, J. R. Michael, P. C. Potts, J. Orange, J. Fredericks, C. A. Tomes, A. Haddington, S. J. Joseph, and T. H. Reid.

The notice calling the meeting having been read.

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen,—The Report and Accounts having been in your hands for some days past, it is not necessary to read them now. The net profit for the year is some \$36,000 above that of the previous year, so we recommend raising the dividend from 10 to 12 per cent, which is paying away \$20,000 more this year, which we trust will meet with your approval. Twelve per cent is a very fair dividend, and until the Company had reduced its present indebtedness, I do not think we should increase this rate. The gross profit, less interest, is nearly \$24,000, and no doubt the question has arisen in the minds of some shareholders what has become of this profit, and why is our debt to our bankers still some \$75,000 more than last year? Of course, the accounts show exactly what has become of the money, but I will explain it shortly now. These two items, the gross profit and the increase in overhead, amount to nearly \$215,000, and are roughly accounted for as follows, viz:—

Last year's dividend... \$100,000
Spent on additions... 145,500
Factors reduced stock... 81,000
Increase of sundry... 26,500
Decrease of sundry... 26,500
Total... \$215,000

At last year's meeting, I told you that we did not expect to spend more than about \$20,000 additional on the machinery. You will see that so spent \$75,000; the difference is simply the cost of a second summer dryer, which we found absolutely necessary to assist us in drying the increased quantities of raw material. This year, we estimate that we shall have to spend about \$25,000 at Manoa, and about \$40,000 at Hok On, as with an increasing output we shall require much more accommodation in the shape of a shed for the burning of lime, for storing the finished cement, our contract with the Admiralty Dock contractor requiring special bins to be set aside for their stocks when tested. It affords me much pleasure to tell you that with greater knowledge and experience we are producing much more cement from our kilns than we ever anticipated, and it is just possible that this increase, which is, of course, a very satisfactory feature, may necessitate additional grinding machinery, the cost of which we estimate at from \$50,000 to \$60,000. Of course, we shall not incur this extra outlay unless it is absolutely necessary, but we cannot wait till the kilns are burning before putting the work in hand, and I mention it now as prospects are beginning to point to the possibility of the machinery being required before the year is out. All depends on our supplies of raw material, and that, as you know, is a matter of some difficulty, and old trouble, the difficulty of obtaining stone. It is not the scarcity of material that we suffer from, but the scarcity of transport. Some of the largest quarries are situated over a boat on which only reach them during the wet season, there being little or no water at other times, and last year was unfortunately the driest known in that particular district. We have done everything we can by advancing money to contractors and by having been a built of our own to ensure a regular supply this season, and we have also used every means to find other quarries situated in more accessible places, where boats can load all the year round. We have had an anxious time obtaining sufficient supplies during the past year for even a limited number of kilns, and our stock of stone at the moment is practically nil, but our efforts to find new places seem to be having results at last, and we have now some knowledge of securing larger supplies. This question of raw material, as we see the case in the previous year, has been our chief worry for the disposal of our cement on the other hand has given us little trouble. The demand has been good all round, and the full in exchange during the year only worked in our favour and enabled us to raise our prices. As you know, we have two good contracts running, both of which have been increased since they were originally made, and we have no other important ones in view. The quality of our cement remains unaltered, under a rigid specification the British Admiralty have not questioned an ounce of it, and their cement blocks made of it to the finest he had ever seen. (Applause.) I think, therefore, gentlemen, you may fairly congratulate yourselves on the present position of your undertaking and on its future prospects. The financial position might, perhaps, be better; we are still spending more on Capital Account, but it is money spent to good purpose and returns to us in the shape of larger profit, and I do not think that after the further outlays I have mentioned, we shall require to do anything more in the way of further additions and improvements to the present installation, unless the demand should increase to a much greater extent than we at present anticipate. Our debt to our Bankers is large, and will be increased by \$120,000 more on payment of the dividend, and if, as we hope to do, we succeed in accumulating a large reserve of raw material, it will be still larger; but our business is sound, and our assets are all good, so there need be any anxiety on that score. As for the Brick and Tile Works at Deepwater Bay, we are still hopeful of making this into a good business. The results were very poor last year, but we took advantage of the confusion the factory was thrown into first by an unprecedented heavy rainstorm and then by typhoons, to reorganize the whole system. We replaced the old engine by a new one, we bought cheaply oil burners, and added another boiler, which we also got second hand. We extended the Machine and Drying Shed, altering the arrangement of the Plant, and adding a new Brick and Tile Machine, which we had ordered from home, and we have just completed a new Coalie House, on the Hill, overlooking the works, which, we trust, will stop the great amount of sickness that has prevailed

amongst the coolies while living over the clay pit on the low ground. To increase our output and reduce the cost of production, we shall build, this year, two more other kilns, one Pipe Kiln and one other. These being under construction, we estimate will cost altogether something under \$10,000. You must bear in mind that besides the damage by storms, we lost at least two months' work, and under such circumstances you will see we could hardly expect better results than those now shown. I know of nothing else that I can usefully add, and I now beg to move that the Report and Accounts as presented to this meeting be adopted and passed. When this has been accounted, I shall be glad to hear any remarks from Shareholders. (Applause.)

Mr. Murray Bain—I have great pleasure in seconding the adoption of the report and the passing of the accounts. Mr. T. Arnold and Mr. W. H. Potts, were re-appointed. The Chairman put the proposition, which was agreed to unanimously.

Mr. J. R. Michael moved the re-election of the Consulting Committee—Hon. Sir Paul Chater, Hon. C. W. Dickson, Mr. C. E. Ewens and Dr. J. W. Noble—and Mr. T. H. Reid seconded.

On the motion of Mr. Hewitt, seconded by Mr. Orange, the accounts, Mr. T. Arnold and Mr. W. H. Potts, were re-appointed.

The Chairman—That is all the business, gentlemen. I am much obliged to you for your attendance. The dividend warrants will be ready on Monday.

Mr. J. R. Michael—I beg to propose a vote of thanks to the General Managers for the very satisfactory accounts they have submitted to the shareholders (applause). The Chairman—Thank you.

HONGKONG SHARE REPORT.

In their weekly share report, dated 20th March, Messrs. Benjamin, Kelly and Potts write:—

During the past week, little or no improvement in the volume of business has to be recorded. The only change of importance in our local stocks has been a decline in the value of India-Chinas.

Banks.—Hongkong and Shanghai Banks remain steady at \$250, with a few sales during the week at slightly higher rates. The London quotation is unchanged at £62 10s.

Nationals continue quiet but firm at \$22 1/2.

Marine Insurance.—Unions have further advanced, and are in request at \$26 1/2, after sales at the rate. China Traders have changed from \$50 and \$60, at which latter rate more shares are required.

In other stocks in this section, there is no business to report.

Five Insurance.—Hongkong Fire have found buyer at \$36 1/2. China Fire have been placed at \$31, and are now wanted at \$32.

Shipping.—Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamships have been transacted at \$24 1/2 and \$27, the market closing with buyers at the former price. India-Chinas have further weakened, and sales have been effected at declining rates down to \$100, at which figure shares are in the market.

Douglas Steamships are in request at \$41. Shell Transports are quoted at \$1 7/8. Shanghai Tugs have further advanced, and are wanted at \$35. Shares in both Companies have jumped to \$175, and are in demand at this figure.

Refineries.—China Sugars have further declined, and shares have been parted with at \$106, but at this price the market is stronger, and shares can probably be placed at slightly higher rates. Luzons are neglected.

Mining.—There are buyers of Panjoms at \$2 30; the preference shares are to be had at 60 cents. Rauls have been disposed of at \$8. Jebeus can be placed at \$1.

Chinese Engineering are offering at \$18. The H. H. H. and G. G. G.—Sales of Hongkong and Whampoa Docks have taken place at \$205 and \$210, and close in demand at the latter price. Farnham have risen, and are asked for at \$190.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

A NEW VIEW.

To the Editor of the "China Mail."

Hongkong, 21st March, 1903.

Sir,—Now that the New Public Health and Building Ordinance is in force, the Colony will no doubt benefit by it, and it is to be hoped that the Sanitary Authorities will be given full power to see that every thing is carried out to the utmost limit, and at the same time I would like to see how the poorer class are to be dealt with when rents are so abnormally high. All men would like to live in large houses and keep everything clean, but what hinders them from doing so is the rent which ought to be the chief consideration with regard to the sanitation of the Colony, and unless something is done to reduce the present high rent I am afraid the poorer class will be compelled to go against the ordinance and give the Magistrate a great deal of work. This being so, the overcrowding of the Colony will not be satisfactorily suppressed.

Cannot something be done to make the landlords bring down the rent a little? Yours etc.

L. S. L.

[This is quite a new aspect of the case. We did not know that excessive rents meant that dirt should increase in the same ratio. This must be a *quid pro quo* provided for by the Ordinance. A high rent has nothing whatever to do with the cleanliness of a tenement, or should not have. Dirt means an additional expense, apart from rent, and often means disease and death. (Often the houses of the poorest are the cleanest. — E. C. M.)

CRICKET.

HONGKONG C.C. & HOCKEY CLUB.

This match is being played to-day in dull weather, on a heavy wicket and before a small turn-out of spectators. The Cricket Club had first lease of the wicket, and at 3.10 were all out for 216. Scores:—

CRICKET CLUB.

R. B. Garder, R.N., c Parker, b Haas... 54
W. Dixon, run not out... 42
Capt. Fawcett, R.A., c Matland, b Gray... 42
S. D. Blair, R.N., b Carter... 42
A. H. Bissell, R.N., c Hooper, b Gray... 42
P. T. Lambie, b Hancock... 42
R. E. O. Bird, c Cooke, b Hancock... 42
L. T. Sheldford, R.N., low, b Hancock... 42
L. Mahon, R.N., c and b Carter... 42
L. Toulmin, R.N., b Carter... 42
G. Grimble, not out... 2
Extras... 7

Total... 216

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

CRICKET CLUB.

Carter... 6 1 74 3
Haas... 9 3 42 4
Hancock... 17 3 38 3
Gray... 9 1 55 2

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

HONGKONG FOOTBALL CLUB v. THE NAVY.

The weather (inclement to the uninitiated, but ideal for Rugby) and (probably) the counter-attraction of the Old Volume Society's lecture, kept away many who would otherwise have attended this match, which, however, possessed few points of interest, except that it was the last game to decide the rubber, as it were, between the Club and the Navy. As events turned out, however, this was still left undecided, the game resulting in a fairly even draw of 1 try all (3 points).

Clark kicked off for the Club, and the early stages of the game were only noticeable for some good individual runs, in which Nichols and Clark for the Club, and Hallett, Lewin, and Wilson (Albion) for the Navy, were conspicuous. Corsar at back stopped many dangerous runs, and was repeatedly cheered. Lewin finally got a clear run, and, although well grassed by the Club, he did not get into the coveted position by mere inches. The kick at goal, a difficult one, failed. Shortly after, half-time was called.

The second part of the game was more or less tame, the only bright features being some good bouts of passing by the Club three-quarters, who were stopped time after time by Corsar, who continued to play a grand game at back. Campbell had in the meantime taken Knox's place in that position for the Club, the latter partnering Jordan at half. The Navy three-quarters now get possession of the ball, and one of their passes being splendidly intercepted by Clark, he got clear away, and, although Corsar did his best to overtake him, he managed to notch the equalizing try right under the up-rights. He took the easy kick himself, and for some unaccountable reason, the ball went wide, and thus the Club's chance of beating the Navy was thrown away. The rest of the game calls for little comment, a series of off-sides and 'marks' ensuing, which took up a lot of time, and did little good, the game, on the call of 'no side,' ending in the unsatisfactory state of neither side being able to claim the superiority. Five matches have now been played, each side winning one, the remaining three being drawn.

Analysing yesterday's play, it would be difficult to say which was the better side. The Club pack was undoubtedly the stronger, and repeatedly, 'cut-scrammaged' their opponents, but, of the outsiders, the Navy were perhaps better. Corsar at back was all that could be desired; the three-quarters, particularly Bird and Sartorius, were good, while Hallett and Lewin at half were both conspicuous, feeding their three-quarters well and unselfishly. In the Club pack, H. Clark, Wolfe, Clark, and Cooper worked extremely hard. Jordan at half was always alert, while Barnes, Nichols and Robertson backed each other up well in the three-quarter line.

WATKINS, LIMITED.

The following is the Report for presentation to the Shareholders at the Fourth Ordinary General Meeting, to be held at the Offices of the Company, at noon, on Saturday, the 28th inst.:

Gentlemen,—Annexed we beg to submit to you a statement of the Accounts of the Company to the 31st December 1902.

Profit and Loss Account.—Including the balance carried forward from last year, the amount of this Account shows... \$15,361.05

Bad and doubtful debts written off... \$1,068.85

Amortised written off for depreciation... 2,601.11

Leaving the sum of... \$11,691.10

From which sum your General Managers propose to pay 10 per cent. dividend for the year 1902, absorbing... \$1,000.00

Forwarded to New Account \$ 1,053.10

Equivalents of Dividend.—The balance at credit of this Fund stands at \$4,802.57.

Auditor.—The Accounts have been audited by Mr. W. Hutton Potts.

G. A. WATKINS, General Manager, CHINA MAIL, 2nd March, 1903.

THE ORIENTAL WASHERMAN.

The Straits Times of the 13th makes the following editorial comment:—The dhotie is a thorn in the flesh of all residents in the East, but he seems to be in no trouble here than elsewhere. Chinese and Klings are the general laundrymen, and both are endowed with bad habits. The former does not as a rule pawn the clothes of his patrons. Neither does he hire them out—a hired European sheet is the handiest sort of a shroud to use at a Hindu funeral.

In fact, he is to a certain extent reliable if to no extent clean. Of course it is understood that he must steal a reasonable percentage of handkerchiefs, etc. The Kling dhotie, however, is a hopelessly unreliable individual, and will steal all manner of clothes at every possible opportunity. It must be admitted, however, that the opportunities are generally parveyed to him through the fault of the trusting customer. An explanation of the modus operandi of the Kling dhotie serves to illustrate this. The master dhotie employs coolies. These fetch and carry clothes. One of these in the employ of a dhotie in Bras Basah Road collected, about a month ago, over a score of garments—"pieces" as they are called—in a bag in the neighbourhood. Three weeks passed. A lady member of the family thought it high time to make enquiries. On approaching the master dhotie, she was told that nothing was known about the clothes, and that the coolie who was alleged to have collected them had left his employ. After a few days further delay pressure was brought to bear upon the master by a threat of putting the matter into the hands of the police, and he was induced to give information as to the whereabouts of the runaway. This latter was discovered with some Bengali dhoties at the Arsenal, but considerable difficulty was experienced in getting him to move, and it was only after a note had been despatched to the Central Police Station asking for assistance, that he woke up to a realization of the fact that probably his best interests lay in helping towards the recovery of the clothes. He was accordingly released, and his former master was acquainted with the fact. This knowledge brought the latter on his knees and he promptly promised to find the clothes, which in the course of a couple of hours he did in the hands of a neglected dhotie. This occurred yesterday. The dhotie was in all probability be prosecuted. In the interest of the general public he should be. To let him off simply because he has restored the garments which he obviously stole, is to keep on encouraging him to repeat the offence, whereas a period in jail may prove his spiritual salvation.

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By Command, F. H. MAY, Colonial Secretary, Hongkong, March 20, 1903. 539

NOTICE.

A MEETING OF HIS MAJESTY'S JUSTICES OF THE PEACE will be held at the MAGISTRACY at 2.15 p.m. on THURSDAY, the 2nd April, 1903, for the purpose of considering the following application:—

From one JOHN H. DOWNS for the transfer of his Public License to sell and retail intoxicating liquor on the premises situated at No. 8, Shaokui Road, under the sign of the 'Bay View Hotel,' to one HOWARD M. COLLINS.

F. A. HAZELAND, Public Magistrate, Hongkong, March 21, 1903. 629

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